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Newest styles in Tecks, Puffs, Four-in-Hands, Bows, etc., 25, 50c.

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Beautiful designs, latest effects, 50c, 75c, $1.00, $1.50.

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Lined and unlined Mocha and Kid Gloves, Jersey and Cashmere Buck, etc. Heavy working Gloves, all grades, 25c to $1 50.

SUSPENDERS.

Christmas Suspenders in Silk and Satines, plain and embroidered 50c to $1.50.
Cheaper grades 15, 20, 25,

PANTS.

Men's Cashmere Pants, good values, $1.25, $1.50, $2.00, $2.50, $3.00, $4.00, $5.00.
Never Rip Jeans Pants 75c, $1, $1.25, $1.50, $1.65.
Boys' Knee Pants, 25c, 50c, 75c and $1.00.

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IN SENATE

Resolution for Recognizing Political Independence of Cuba.

House Committee Urges Secretary Gage to Prepare Currency Bill.

French Warships Ordered to China—Mrs. McKinley Growing Weaker—End Expected Tonight—Tennessee Hanging—Chicago Hardware Firm Fails—Congress Short Session.

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 8.—Senator Allen (Populist) of Nebraska, offered a resolution in the senate today declaring it to be the sense of the senate that congress should, with all due convenient speed, acknowledge the political independence of Cuba

The House committee on banking and currency met and adopted a resolution asking Secretary Gage to embody his views in a bill Hill, of Connecticut, moved immediate action on making bank circulation to par value of bonds deposited, reduction of circulation tax to one-fourth of one per cent. and the establishment of small banks in rural communities. Johnson, of Indiana, opposed hasty action. The debate continued till adjournment without action.

FIFTEEN MINUTE SESSION.

Congress' Short Session—Pension Appropriation Bill to Be Called Up Tomorrow

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

Washington, D. C., Dec.—The House was in session only fifteen minutes today. Stone, of Pennsylvania, reported the pension appropriation bill and gave notice that he will call it up tomorrow.

Ordered to China.

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

London, Dec. 8.—A special from Paris says three French cruisers have been ordered to China.

Mrs. McKinley's Condition Unchanged.

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

Canton, O., Dec. 8.—Mrs. McKinley is still living, with little change in her condition.

At 12:45 Dr. Phillips reported no material change in Mrs. McKinley. The family have noticed a gradual failure and think it certain this afternoon or tonight will see the end.

Knoxville Hanging.

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

Knoxville, Tenn., Dec. 8.—Mynatt Leach was hanged today for the murder of J. D. Heck on February 17th last.

SUFFOCATED.

Night Watchman in Owosso, Mich., Casket Works' While Using Hand Fire Extinguisher.

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

Owosso, Mich., Dec. 8.—Frank Wilcox, night watchman at the Owosso Casket works, was suffocated while attempting to quench a fire this morning with a hand extinguisher. The loss of property reached $30,000.

Big Chicago Failure.

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

Chicago, Dec. 8.—Horton, Gilmore, McWilliams & Co., wholesale hardware dealers of Lake street, assigned to the Illinois Trust and Savings bank today. Liabilities, $300,000; assets, $210,000.

Pingree Gets the Yantic.

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

Detroit, Dec. 8.—The United States steamship Yantic arrived from Boston today for the use of the Detroit naval reserve as a training ship.

Hill's Hanging Postponed.

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

Pittsburg, Dec. 8.—The execution of the negro, Philip Hill, set for today, was postponed indefinitely. A writ of error has been taken to the supreme court.

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SETTLEMENT NEAR.

Windowglass Factories May Soon Be Put In Operation.

Pittsburg, Dec. 8.—The vote by telegraph by the Windowglass association on the wage proposition made by the manufacturers has been counted. The proposition carried among the gatherers and blowers by a vote of 1,280 to 975.

This result will enable the wage committee of the manufacturers and workers at their meeting on Thursday to settle all contentions and sign the scale for the coming year.

By this vote of the association the factories will start up at an advance in wages of 16 per cent, instead of 18 per cent asked by the men.

German Invaders Repulsed.

London, Dec. 8.—According to mail advices from Batanga, on the west African coast, southeast of the Cameroons, in the Banoko country, a German expedition, consiting of six white officers and 200 natives, recently met with a severe reverse at the hands of Mboulies, a warlike tribe that has long harassed th German trade caravans to the south of Batanga, in the Molinji country, and especially along the river which divides French and German territory.

An Increase Desired.

Hamburg, Dec. 8.—At a meeting here, which was largely attended by leading merchants, a resolution was adopted setting forth that an increase in the strength of the German navy is imperatively necessary for the maintenance and furtherance of Germany's prestige and for the protection of her subjects and interests in transoceanic countries.

Little Assurance to Spain.

Paris, Dec. 8.—The Republique Francaise says the tone of President McKinley's message to congress "is conciliatory, but not exempt from ambiguity." The Journal des Debats regards the message as "little reassurance to Spain, who has the world's sympathies."

Rates Will Be Restored.

Chicago, Dec. 8.—The western lines received notice that the Soo line had decided to restore rates to the east from points west of Minneapolis and St. Paul, the restoration to go into effect Dec. 13.

Will Take the Oath.

The Hague, Dec. 8. — Wilhelmina, queen of the Netherlands, will take the oath of accession to the throne on Sept. 6, 1898, in the new church at Amsterdam.

W. W. Reilly & Co. will be open every evening, commencing Saturday, December 4th. 3-3t-eod

MISINFORMATION

Led Them to Seek to Remove Brent Arnold, Receiver of the Mt. Auburn Road, Cincinnati.

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

Cincinnati, O., Dec. 8.—Motion to remove Brent Arnold, receiver of the Mt. Auburn Inclined Plane company, was withdrawn in United States court today at the instance of attorney for the trustees' bondholders, who had made the motion. It was stated that the motion was made on misinformation, and parties interested were entirely satisfied with Arnold's management as for the best interests of the road.

To Meet in Cincinnati.

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

Harrisburg, Dec. 8. — The commander-in-chief Gobra of Grand Army of the Republic has called a meeting of the executve committee of the national council to be held in Cincinnati, December 15th, to fix the date of the next national encampment.

Markets.

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

Chicago, Ill., eDc. 8. — Wheat, $1.00¼; corn, 25⅛; oats, 21⅛.
Toledo.—Wheat, 95.

War Claims to Be Paid.

Washington, Dec. 8. — The house committee on war claims has made a favorable report on the bill to authorize the secretary of war to investigate and provide for the payment of all claims for the use and occupation of church and school buildings and grounds for government purposes by the United States military authorities during the rebellion, and for damages accruing thereby to furnishings or materials in such buildings.

Chamberlain Elected Captain.

New Haven, Dec. 8.—Burr C. Chamberlain, who has played tackle on Yale's football team for the past two years, was elected captain.

More Volunteers For China.

Berlin, Dec. 8.—Emperor William has ordered the number of volunteers for the China expedition to be increased to 1,000 men.

Silver Going Out.

New York, Dec. 8.—The steamship St. Paul, sailing for Europe, took out 600,000 ounces of silver and 70,000 Mexican dollars.

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J. L. PATTERSON, Editor and Manager.

The Times Publishing company will give TEN DOLLARS in gold to the person composing the most appropriate poem for a carriers' New Year's address. Poems will be received at the Times office until noon December 20th. Each manuscript must be sealed in an envelope containing another sealed envelope with the name of the writer. The manuscript, as received, will be placed in the hands of a committee of three competent judges. The poem selected as the best by this committee will receive the prize. The envelope containing the name will not be opened until the prize poem is selected. Employes of The Times Publishing company will not be permitted to compete. Send in your poems.

Hanna has taken snuff. Is it not about time for his henchmen in this necko'-the-woods to sneeze?

In all probability, the principal thing the present congress will do is to draw its salary, and the dead sure thing that the people have is to pay the bill.

Now is the time for alert, observing citizens to get a tablet of one leaf, two by four inches, and write on it all the economical measures passed by the fifty-fifth congress

Of the triumpirate of troublesome tricksters, Cox alone has the good grace to lie still after he is dead; Coxey still tramples the grass and Hanna squirms on the griddle.

By the time the United States gets ready to recognize Cuba, there will erither be no Cubans left, or if they still survive they will not care whether they are recognized or not.

McKinley, in his message, says the government is "obliged to redeem in gold." Redeem what and how much? If it only redeemed what the law specifically says it shall in gold, a great part of the financial problem would be solved.

"Ambiguity and doubt," are the things, says President McKinley, from which our financial system needs relief. Well, that may be a new name for the "gold standard," but common folks would rather have the act than the mere suggestion.

The President says that while the full effects of the legislation of the extra session is not yet felt, the results are highly satisfactory. This, in the face of a growing deficit, seems to indicate that Mr. McKinley is very easily satisfied. However, a man who has a protracted siege of Hanna considers another affliction a relief.

The poor national bankers are kindly remembered in the President's message. He wants their tax reduced and wants them authorized to issue bank notes to the full value of their bonds deposited. That is, they deposit a $1,000 bond, take $1,000 in money and do business with it, getting all the interest out of it they can and at the same time draw interest on the bond. When they go into the banking business and buy $25,000 in bonds they at once receive a gift of $25,000 to do business on and still retain the bond. In this connection the President recommends that national bank be allowed to start with only $25,000, instead of $50,000. If a man with $25,000 in government bonds is to be given $25,000 in bank notes—not for the bond, but simply as a matter of accommodation, why should not the man with a $1,000 government bond be treated in like manner? Let us see how this thing works: I have $25,000. I buy government bonds with it. I pass over the money and the government at once gives me back $25,000 to do business with and pays me interest on the bond.

Great scheme, this national banking business is. Loan me $25,000 for a few minutes; I will buy bonds with it and then borrow enough on them to pay you back and I will have the bonds left. Follow this theory and you will readily see why the rich get richer and the poor poorer.

In the October "Forum" appears an article in favor of bimetallism by Edward Tuck, a retired New York banker, who has made the monetary question a special study for many years. He corrects some prevalent misconceptions in defining the issue, as follows:

In studying the question of bimetallism one should keep clearly in mind: First, that money is not the value for which, but the value by which commodities are exchanged and debt are paid Money is only a counter, a marker, a measure of value and is not by nature value itself. Second, that the precious metals, gold and silver, acquire their great worth because they are used as money—not that money as money derives its value from the material of which it is made. As Paulus, the great jurist, says: "Money circulates with a power which it derives not from its substance but from its quantity. Third, the (material of which money is made, as pointed out by Professor Bain, is not in itself the standard but the register in which the standard is recored. The material of money bears a somewhat similar relation to value that the dial of a clock does to time. Hence the term "double standard" is an erroneous one. It is not the standard that is double but the metals in which the standard is registered. The two metals conjointly, possessing equally the debt-paying function at a fixed ratio of weight, form one standard, one money. Daniel Webster understood this, as his careful language unmistakably indicates. His words are: "Gold and silver * * * constitutes the legal standard of value." It was to correct the misconception caused by the use of this misnomer, "double standard," that Cernuschi originated, in 1896, the name "bimetallism," which covers the real principle at issue as perfeectly as any single word can do. It is impossible to have any standard of value that will be absolutely invariable, as the numbers of mankind, as well as the activity of industry and commerce, can never be fixed. Variation in the amount of existing money, variation in the amount of transactions requiring money, variations in the efficiency of credit contrivances for economizing the use of money cannot not exactly coincide. Both theory and experience demonstrate, however, that a standard based upon the aggregate mass of the two metals is less variable and therefore more equitable than a standard based upon each metal singly, because the total monetary mass of the two combined is subject to less proportionate change in quantity from the varying production of different periods than is the mass of either metal alone. Moreover it is a mathematical impossibility to maintain even an approximately stable standard of value while two unrelated and discordant monometallisms prevail among intertrading nations. To secure stability the link between those systems, which virtually secured to the commercial world up to 1873 one bimetallic money, must be re-established.

Better Than Expected.

Mr. Harris, the affable young Chillicothe street jeweler, has been having an excellent trade in holiday goods—in fact it has so far exceeded his expectations that he has been compeled to make another trip to Cincinnati to lay in more supplies. He will return Thursday with a handsome addition to his elegant stock and it will pay you to see his new goods. His prices are consistent with the present hard times.

W. F. M. S.

The Women's Foreign Missionary society of Bigelow M. E. church will meet at the residence of Mrs. Alex. Altsman, 146 East Fourth street, Thusday afternoon, at 2 o'clock. All members are urged to be present.

Have you tried "Sugar Loaf" tomatoes, made by Sears & Nichols? If not, ask your grocer for a can. They are the best on earth.

In Honor of Miss Rammelsburg.

Mr. and Mrs. J. I Hudson will entertain at cards Friday evening, December 10th. Guests are invited to meet Miss Rammelsburg, of College Hill, Cincinnati, who is the attractive guest of Mr. and Mrs. Hudson.

$100 Reward $100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally acting directly upon the blood and mucous surface of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers, that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

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For sale by Fisher & Streich

PETITION TO CONGRESS.

Inmates of Soldiers' Home Want Money From the Government.

Dayton, O., Dec. 8.—A petition signed by 3,000 veteran inmates of the Central branch, National Military home, near this city, was mailed to Senator Hanna in Washington, to present to congress.

The petition is strong and in respectful terms sustains the proposition of General Breckinridge, inspector general of the army, to change the management of all soldiers' homes so that the secretary of war will have direct control of the same as of the regular army home at Washington.

The veterans especially commend the recommendation of General Breckinridge providing for commutation of rations—$8 or $10 a month while on furlough or permanent leave from the home—as this money, in addition to their pensions, would enable them to live comfortably with their families away from the Soldiers' home.

They urge that room will thus be made in the homes for destitute soldiers who are now barred from the overcrowded institutions.

Directors Elected.

Youngstown, O., Dec. 8.—The stockholders of the Cleveland, Pittsburg and Toledo Railroad company held their annual meeting here. The directors elected were: Orlando Smith of Cincinnati, John K. Cowan of Baltimore, John T. Terry of New York, Thomas M. King of Philadelphia, Henry W. Oliver of Allegheny City, David Lee of Zanesville, Joseph Chapman of Painesville. The directors elected Orland Smith president, and Major J. W. Washington of Pittsburg secretary, treasurer and auditor.

Dealt In Gold Bricks.

Cleveland, Dec. 8.—Samuel Jacobs, a Cleveland liquor dealer, was arrested on a grand larceny indictment found in New York. He is charged with being implicated in a gold brick swindle whereby M. Bernstein of Cleveland was relieved of $12,000 in New York a few weeks ago. Jacobs introduced Bernstein to the two men who did the job.

Sale of Cattle.

Cleveland, Dec. 8.—A sale of Holstein-Friesian cattle from the farm of W. J. Hayes at Ravenna, O., began at Fasig's Exchange in Glenville. Buyers were present from all parts of the country. Fifty-seven head were sold for $4,805, or an average of a little more than $84. Six calves also sold for $172, an average of $28.

In a Critical Condition.

Greentown, O., Dec. 8.—Jacob Hartong, who was tortured by burglars, is in a critical condition. He has a bad cut on his head where he was struck with an iron wedge, and his arm is badly burned where the fiends applied a lighted candle.

Freak of an Ex-Convict.

Bellefontaine, O., Dec. 8. — Frank Edgington, recently pardoned from the Ohio penitentiary, attempted to kill his sweetheart, Miss Alice Young, and her parents because they refused him admission to their home.

Appointment Was Legal.

Columbus, O., Dec. 8.—The supreme court holds that William H. Lueders, appointed police court prosecutor of Cincinnati by Mayor Caldwell, is entitled to the office for three years.

Militia Company Disbanded.

Chillicothe, O., Dec. 8. — Adjutant General Axline has ordered the local militia company disbanded. It is said to be far below the standard in many respects.

Cause of Strike.

Massillon, O., Dec. 8.—The miners at Minglewood mines quit work because three nonunion men were given work to keep them from starving.

Escaped Prosecution.

East Fairfield, O., Dec. 8.—John Mankin, who was charged with improper use of the mails, committed suicide by taking poison.

Vance Cadets Not Wanted.

Mount Vernon, O., Dec. 8. — The Vance Cadets of this town have been ordered disbanded by Adjutant General Axline.

For the Benefit of Science.

Cuyahoga Falls, O., Dec. 8. — Mrs. Elizabeth Phillips, who died Sunday, willed her body to her physician, Dr. Kent O. Foltz.

Criminal Assault Charged.

Athens, O., Dec. 8.—Warren Border is charged with criminally assaulting Lydia Jenkins, an inmate of the insane asylum.

United States Court Convenes.

Columbus, O., Dec. 8.—The December term of the United States court is in session here, with Judge Sage presiding.

Torpedo Magazine Explodes.

Bowling Green, O., Dec. 8. — The American Torpedo company's magazine exploded, killing Dan Leoan.

Santa Claus is Starting Out

The day on which he will be expected in every household is fast drawing near. Don't put off X-mas preparations until the last moment and then pick up the first thing you see. Buy early. Christmas shopping is a pleasure at our store.

Umbrellas and Mackintoshes.

The rainy, stormy weather that is sure to follow Christmas Tide, makes an Umbrella or Mackintosh a sensible and acceptable present

In anticipation of the great demand sure to come in the next three or four weeks we have purchased a large stock of both of these articles.

50 different styles in Holiday Umbrellas for Ladies. Every handle a work of art, and different than anything shown before.

65 different styles in Holiday Umbrellas for Gentlemen, swell handles and tight roll sticks so popular with good dressers.

Ladies' Mackintoshes—Beautiful new garments cut in the the latest styles, plaid linings—colors black, brown or blue. Prices $3.50, $5.00, $7.50 and $15 All sizes in stock.

Children's Mackintoshes in all sizes, made just like the ladies' with cape, velvet collar and plaid lining, very fine dressy garments, $2 50

Men's Mackintoshes—Extra quality, cape, plaid lining, $2.50, $4 50 $7 50, $10 00 and $15 00.

Men's Rubber Storm Coats, $1.50, $2 85.

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Our much talked of 78c Glove has made us a host of friends—out of 250 dozen we have but 15 dozen left—sizes and colors fast becoming broken. Be sure and get a pair before they are all gone—you will never get such a glove for the money as long as the present tariff is in effect.

Beautiful line of Ladies' Moco Gloves in black, green, blue, ox blood, with beautiful pearl clasps—make lovely gifts. Famous Trefouse Gloves, Glace and Suede, all styles and shades. Misses' Kids, all sizes, 75c a pair. A DOLLAR spent at our glove counter means a dollar's worth of wear.

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Deadly Mistakes.

You know what mistakes hurried or bothered druggists sometimes make. We avoid all that. Our prescription department is separate and quiet, away from the bustling part of our business and managed by competent pharmacists who give all their thoughts to what they are doing. They use only the best and freshest drugs and compound them with absolute accuracy. Our prices on prescriptions and recipes are very moderate and we will take pleasure in calling for and returning prescriptions to your residence.

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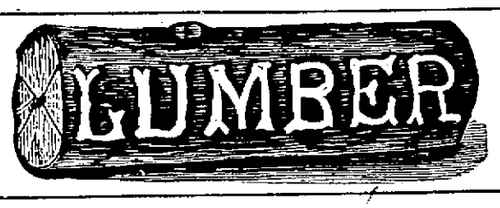

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SUPPRESSED

Was the City Solicitor's Report by the Water Works Board.

Mr. Homer Calls Attention to Injustice of So-Called Plumbing Laws.

He Also Puts in a Good Word for The Times Which He Admits, "Leads 'Em All"—New Pipes Ordered Laid—Coal Bids Asked for—What the Solicitor Says About the $80 Clerk of the Board.

The water works board held an interesting session Tuesday evening, at which considerable business was transacted. When the schedule of $1,046.05 was read and came up for allowance Mr. Blomeyer objected to the item of $15 extra compensation allowed Clerk Hall for looking after the Clay township water rental. Mr. Blomeyer was of the opinion that Clay township should pay this extra if there was to be an extra allowance. Furthermore, he said he had consulted the city solicitor and obtained a written opinion from him, declaring the board's action in increasing the clerk's salary illegal. He produced the solicitor's report and handed it to Clerk Hall with a request that it be read. The clerk snatched it eagerly and began reading it to himself.

"Did the board ask for any report from the solicitor on this matter?" asked the clerk, who was determined to suppress the city solicitor's opinion.

"No, I don't care to hear anything about it. We have settled that matter," replied Mr. Homer. The clerk continued reading the report to himself. The vote on the schedule was announced as "three ayes," and the clerk will get his $15 extra compensation for collecting Clay township water rent.

Mr. Selby, of Drew, Selby & Co., explained to the board the need of better water supply at the shoe factory. The superintendent was ordered to lay a six-inch pipe from Gallia street to Seventh and Findlay.

The clerk reported that Louis Shearer had a house which had been without a tenant for two months past. He wanted a rebate. The board decided that no rebate could be given in such cases.

The two-inch pipe on John street, between Ninth and Tenth, was ordered renewed.

The clerk asked for an opinion from the board relative to construction to be placed on section 35 of the by-laws relative to persons not regular plumbers making connections. The board held to a strict interpretation of the letter of the law.

A communnication was read from the Spring Lane Distilling Co., saying it would be impossible for them to allow a tap to be made in their pipe to supply the city hospital with water.

A lengthy communication was received from the board of health, asking that the water works board cease issuing permits to plumbers not regularly licensed by the plumbing board. On motion of Mr. Homer, action on the matter was deferred until another meeting, in order that the members may become better informed as to the law in the case. Mr. Homer expressed himself as not in sypmathy with the spirit of the alleged law which was intended as a stab at some of the best plumbing establishments in the city.

Mr. Homer called the attention of the board to the fact that in the distribution of the board's advertising patronage the Times should by right come in for an equal share of the board's favors. Mr. Homer paid the Times a neat little compliment in referring to its wide circulation and general excellence as the leading newspaper of the city. Mr. Dice said something about economy as the only reason why the Times had not been remembered in the way of patronage. Mr. Blomeyer acquiesced in the sentiment expressed by Mr. Homer.

As the coal contract expires the first of Jannary, the clerk was authorized to advertise for bids for nut and slack and pea and slack coal for the coming year. Mr. Homer said when slack was specified it did not mean dirt, and the sentiment of the board was to buy a better grade of coal than that now being supplied. Bids are to be advertised in the Times, Blade, Tribune, Correspondent and Press. They will be opened at a special meeting of the board Monday evening, December 27th.

Mr. S. O. Titus was present at the meeting and brought up the question of water rental at the Star shoe factory. He explained they were paying $75 which he considered too high, inasmuch as the Excelsior factory only paid $50. The board concluded to visit the factory next Friday, investiagte and fix a satisfactory rate.

The board then adjourned.

THE SUPRPESSED REPORT.

Following is the report of the city solicitor relative to the legality of the increase in the clerk's salary, as submitted by Mr. Blomeyer and suppressed by the board:

To the Honorable, The Trustees of the Water Works:

One of your members, Mr. Blomeyer, has requested me to give you an opinion on the law relating to increasing the salary of the clerk of the water works board.

Section 1717 of the revised statues of Ohio provides: "The emoluments of an officer whose election or appointment is provided for in this title shall in no case be increased or diminished during the term for which he may be elected or appointed."

Section 2409, revised statutes of Ohio, provides: "The trustees shall receive a fixed salary, to be determined by the council, and the trustees or board shall manage, conduct and control the work, furnish supplies of water, collect water rents and appoint all necessary officers and agents and fix the term of office and amount of salary of each officer and agent so appointed.

Section 2410 of the revised statutes, among other things provides: "That the trustees shall be authorized to make by-laws and regulations, and when made shall have the same validity as ordinances." In pursuance of this authority the trusts adopted by laws and regulations when it is provided, in the last part of section 1, as follows: "It shall be the duty of the said trustees to appoint a superintendent, first and second engineer at the pumping works, a secretary of the trustees of the water works and such other officers and agents as may be necessary and to fix the term of office and the compensation to be paid each officer or agent before the appointment."

From the foregoing it is clear that the present clerk of the water works, or secretary, is such an officer whose compensation cannot be increased or diminishedd during the term for which he was appointed.

The matter of extra compensation allowed officers cannot be better set forth than by quoting Tiedman on Municipal Law, part of section 79, on page 120: "An official cannot claim an extra allowance of salary for the discharge of incidental duties, even though his compensation be grossly inadequate; if the duties pertaining to his office be materially increased after his acceptance of his office and his entrance upon the performance of his duties. His only remedy in such cases is resignation. A promise to reward an officer, to pay him an extra sum beyond his legal compensation for a faithful performance of that which was his official duty to do, is void, as without consideration and cannot be enforced by the official. If, however, the officer be employed or compelled by law to render services altogether unofficial, which are not merely an extension of his official duties and incidental thereto, and which could as well be performed by any other person, he may especially, if such service entail upon him extra trouble and expense, recover additional compensation therefor."

The idea seems to be that if it is simply an extension of duties of an officer no extra compensation can be allowed. But if the services are such that it cannot be reasonably considered a part of the ordinary duties of the officer an are impose upon him, extra compensation may be allowed.

The above is the law on the subject. The facts as they exist is a matter for your own consideration. Respectfully submitted, HARRY C. MILLER,
City Solicitor.

IT WAS CLEVER

Was the Judgment of the Chillicothe News on the "For Fair Virginia" Co., Which Showed There Monday Night.

Mr. and Mrs. Russ Whytal gave a splendid performance with their pretty Southern drama, "For Fair Virignia," to a medium-sized audience last night, and from the vociferous applause after the fall of the curtain at the end of each act, it was evident that the play gave satisfaction to all.

Mr. Whytal, in a light comedy role, did an admiable piece of acting, and the same can be said of Miss Viola Fortescue, who took the ingenue character, but the work of Mrs. Whytal was, if anything, a little too finely drawn.

The supporting company was evenly balanced, but special mention is due Miss Mabel Taliaferro, who, as young Julian, gave the best piece of acting ever seen by a child artist in this city.

The splendid reading of the lines in the second act was worthy of an older star, and brought to her the warmest applause given in the Masonic this season. Only an accident kept the little lady from responding to a curtain call.—Chillicothe Daily News.

A KING'S PHOTOGRAPH

Presented to a Young Lady Who Has Visited in Portsmouth—How It Happened.

Last winter when Miss Eunice Mann, now of Milwaukee, spent several weeks in this city, she entertained a charming young lady friend from Chicago—Miss Lenore Lindbloom. The latter was the daughter of a wealthy Hyde park contractor. She made many friends here and an article which appeared in the Chicago Inter-Ocean recently concerning her will be of interest. It appears that early last spring Miss Lindbloom and her sister, Miss Vesti Lindbloom, made a journey to Sweden. They were given an audience by the king and queen, and, according to the Inter-Ocean, were graciously received. The king remembered the girls' father, who had been a leading citizen, and sent kind messages to him. He also gave each of the girls his photograph, with his autograph on the back, and showed them much attention. The Chicago paper gave the item an extended notice.

A full sized teacher's reference Bible, 85 cents, at Reilly's.

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Every one of them is made under our personal supervision—not a garment in our stock but that is well made and trimmed.

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The finest assortment in the city. Trunks, Valises, Telescopes, Dress Suit Cases, just the ling for a suitable present.

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For Men and Boys. Men's $2 25, $4.00, $5.00, $7.50. $10. Boys' $2.25 to $3.50.

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An Attractive Bargain in Men's Shirts.

A big lot of the very latest patterns in Men's Laundered Fancy Bosom Shirts, regular 75c quality, our price 50c.

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Extra value in Men's heavy fleece lined Underwear, assorted colors, our price 45c.

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VERY PRETTY

Was the Masonic Emblem Presented Ex-Mayor Hall

By His Brother Masons at the Meeting of Portsmouth Lodge Last Evening—Mr. Hall a Charter Member of the Lodge and Was Secretary for Twenty-five Years—An Ardent Mason.

Ex-Mayor Henry Hall is wearing a handsome new gold Masonic emblem, with diamond setting, today. It was presented to him by his brother Masons last night as a fitting recognition of his hard work for Masonry in this city. The presentation was made at the meeting of the members of Portsmouth lodge last night. In the early part of the evening the following officers were elected: Gus Barlow, W. M.; S. A. Ingles, S. W.; David Stahler, J. W.; A. Schapiro, treasurer; Henry Hall, secretary; J. A. Trimmer, S D.; J. W. Smith, J. D.; George M. Weber, tyler; Carey Johnson and P. S. Revare, stewards.

After the officers had been elected David Stahler took the floor remarking that he had a very pleasant duty to perform. He then called attention to the fact that the secretary of the lodge, Mr. Hall, had worthily served in that position for twenty-five years or more and was a charter member. He also spoke of Mr. Hall's services to Masonry in this city and told how he was always ready to help the order in any way he could. Mr. Stahler closed his address by presenting Mr. Hall with the beautiful emblem mentioned above.

Mr. Hall was so surprised that he could not say anything for a few minutes. Then he recovered himself and made a brief and eloquent address, expressing his appreciation of the gift.

FRAGMENTS.

Council meets in special session this evening to consider the N. & W. shop matter.

Mrs. McCord has removed her boarding house from Market street to West Sixth street.

Turnkey Chinn, of the station house, has removed from Court to 83 West Eighth street.

A bright little daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Clark, of East Ninth street, last night.

Born to W. W. Winn and wife a boy. Mr. Winn is one of the leading East End grocerymen.

Frank Walters has resumed work at Thompson & Kricker's real estate office after a couple of weeks lay off.

John Brown, ex-fire chief, is seriously ill at his home on West Eighth street. He is threatened with tpyhoid fever.

Mr. Henry Atlas, of the Parisian Cloak Co, will be initiated into Portsmouth Lodge of Masons at the next meeting.

CHOIR FUND SOCIETY

Of Christ Church Held a Meeting Yesterday Afternoon—A Large Attendance.

The Choir Fund society of the Christ church met yesterday afternoon at the home of S. R. Ross. The society was entertained by Miss Anna Ross and Miss Kate Kinney. It was the largest meeting held this year by the society and the interest in the church is surely resuming. An elegant luncheon was served and a delightful afternoon spent. Nothing important was introduced before the meeting, but a great deal of minor business was attended to. The society invites everyone to attend their meetings, as no special invitations are issued, the only requisite, being ten cents at each meeting.

OBITUARY.

KALB.

The body of Mrs. Sophia Zorn Kalb, who died in Cincinnati Monday, was brought to this city Tuesday evening and taken to the home of Jacob Bender, on East Ninth street. The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon at 1:30, standard time. Deceased's maiden name was Sophia Zorn. She was born at Wheelersburg September 3d, 1853, the youngest of eight children, all dead. She was married in 1873 to Henry Kalb.

See the display of water colors in all sizes and styles, for two weeks, at Mrs. B. Inez Spry's, 320 Chillicothe street. 7-3t

Marigold Cream is a fragrant preparation, not sticky or greasy. It is a home remedy.
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New Meat Market.

S. W. Miles, the champion butcher of the East End, is opening up a new meat market in the Odd Fellows' building on Court street. He will serve you well.

Books of all kinds for the children and grown-up people at Reilly's.

Dry Goods Stores to Be Open.

Beginning December 20th, all dry goods stores in the city will be open each night in the week until after the holidays.

Christmas umbrellas at from 50 cents to $3.00, at Flora Dellert's.

Simmons Gets a Pension.

Today's Washington dispatches note that an original pension has been granted to John H. Simmons, of this city

Lehman's for shoes.

PERSONAL.

Miss Emma Drouilleard is home from a visit with Cincinnati relatives.

R. S. Kyle, a prominent Richmond capitalist, was at the Biggs Tuesday.

H. W. Spargur, one of Hillsboro's wealthiest citizens, was in the city today.

Miss Kate Billian has returned from Toledo, where she has been visiting her sister.

Misses Alice and Anna Ryan went to Cincinnati today for a short visit with friends.

Walter Eyler and wife will leave the latter part of the week for Uniontown, Pa.

Mrs. George Youngman, of East Eleventh street, has gone to Otway to visit her daughter, Mrs. Charles Jones.

Geo. Mann, conductor on car 15 of the street railroad, is taking a two weeks vacation hunting out about Otway.

AN ESTIMABLE WOMAN

Well Known in this City, Died at Ironton Monday—Sketch of Life of Mrs. B. A. Murphy.

The following from the Ironton Republican relates to a very estimable woman who was well known in this city. She was a particular friend of Father and Miss McGuirk:

"Mrs. B. A. Murphy, a lady well known and highy esteemed in this city died at her home on North Fifth street at 6 o'clock Monday morning, in the 59th year of her age. The summons came suddenly.

"While Mrs. Murphy had been in delicate health for the past six years and confined to her room two weeks, her illness was at no time considered serious until late Monday evening. She was apparently convalescing nicely when wholly unexpected symptoms of heart failure appeared, and the end came with bitter sadness to her devoted family. Three sons—Messrs. Charles, George and Rosecrans, of this city, and one daughter, Mrs. Rose Hunt, of Maysville, Ky., were at their mother's bedside. As Mrs. Murphy's illness was not considered serious until yesterday evening, Miss Katharine and Mr. Frank Murphy were not sumomned until then and cannot arrive before tonight.

"Mrs. Murphy, who was Miss Considine, was born in Clare, Ireland, February 15th, 1839. While visiting here she met and married Mr. Patrick Murphy, October 23rd, 1859, an esteemed and well-known business man of this community, who passed away some sixteen years ago"

COURT HOUSE.

Atkins vs. Giles Flag Pole Case Submitted—Hency Divorce Proceedings Ended—Partition Timmonds Estate.

The Atkins vs. Giles flag-pole case was submitted to the court Tuesday evening. Decision is withheld for the present.

In the Hannah A. Hency vs. Frederick V. Hency divorce case the court ordered defendant to pay up costs and $15 attorney's fees. Plaintiff is dead.

Jennie S. Ford vs. Mary Hill et al., a decree of partition for plaintiff was granted. John Richardson, Philo S. Clark and John M. Williams were appointed commissioners.

Geo. W. Manlt vs. Wm. L. Albertson, judgment by default for $105.60 and foreclosure of chattel mortgage.

Transcript has been filed from 'Squire Bennett's Madison township court recognizing Jas. Hopkins to common pleas in the sum of $100 for selling intoxicating liquor.

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The Enterprising Shine.

Sam Jones, the colored bootblack, proposes to give another minstrel show one week from Saturday night. It will be given in Richardson's hall and admission will be ten and fifteen cents. Considerable imported talent has been engaged and "Shine" says the show will be "all de mon."

We invite you to call and examine our holiday line.
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Neal Dow's First Temperance Work.

Neal Dow was 25 years old when he delivered his first temperance speech. It was at an anniversary supper of a fire company to which he belonged, and his strenuous opposition to the use of liquor was effective to that degree that the fire company adopted temperance as a principle. Later he prevailed upon the Maine Mechanics' Charitable association to forego the use of wine at its annual dinner.

At that time liquor was almost universally used in Maine. One of the curious customs of Portland in those days was the ringing of the town bell at 11 and at 4 o'clock by way of warning to mechanics that it was time to leave work and get a drink. This custom the young reformer succeeded in having abolished. Then he persuaded most of the Portland employers to discontinue supplying their men with liquor.

After his first successes Neal Dow felt that temperance was the most important cause of the age. It was owing largely to his efforts that the Young Men's Total Abstinence society of Portland was organized. Its first meeting, it is said, was held in the counting room of a distillery.—Harper's Weekly.

Former Instruments of Torture.

Instead of gymnastics or games, instruments of torture were used for modeling the figure of the young lady of half a century ago. A contemporary writer says that "could the modern schoolroom (1831) be preserved it would pass for a refined inquisition. There would be found stocks for the fingers (the cheiroplast) and pulleys for the neck, with weights attached." Fanny Kemble, to whom nature had been by no means unkindly, was found wanting in deportment, and she writes that she wore a "back board made of steel, covered with red morocco, which consisted of a flat piece placed on my back and strapped down to my waist with a belt and secured at the top by two epaulets strapped over my shoulders. From the middle of this there rose a steel rod or spine with a steel collar, which encircled my throat, fastened behind." The machine proved a failure, and she was put under the tuition of a drill sergeant, who did for her all that was required.—"Social England."

The Home of the Hot Devils.

The greatest natural wonder in Java, if not in the entire world, is the justly celebrated Gheko Kamdha Gumko, or "home of the hot devils," known to the world as the Island of Fire. This geological eccentricity is really a lake of boiling mud, situated at about the center of the plains of Grobogana, and is called an island because of the great emerald sea of vegetation which surrounds it and gives it that appearance.

The "island" is about two miles in circumference and is situated at a distance of almost exactly 50 miles from Solo. Near the center of this geological freak immense columns of soft, hot mud may be seen continually rising and falling like great timbers thrust through the boiling substratum by giant hands and then quickly withdrawn.

Besides the phenomenon of the boiling mud columns there are scores of gigantic bubbles of hot slime that fill up like huge balloons and keep up a series of constant explosions, the intensity of the detonations varying with the size of the bubble. In times past, so the Javanese authorities say, there was a tall spirelike column of baked mud on the west edge of the lake, which constantly belched a pure stream of cold water, but this has long been obliterated, and everything is now a seething mass of bubbling mud and slime, a marvel to the visitors who come from long distances to see it.

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With $4.00 worth of goods we give a Ladies' fine white embroidered handkerchief.

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Will save you 20 per cent. on all goods purchased between now and New Year's.

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Prices and Goods Will Suit You.

Evaporated peaches, per lb..	12½c
Evaporated apricots, per lb	12½c
New prunes, per lb	10 c
Dried apples, per lb	5 c
Dried Figs, per lb	10 c
New oat meal, 3 lb. for	10 c
Hominy flake, 3 lb. for	10 c
Hominy, 2 lb. for	5 c
Navy Beans, per quart	5 c
Vermicelli, per lb	10 c

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When it comes to the last chance of a pretty girl, she begins to look around. If she is looking for

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ESSENCE OF NEWS.

Items of Interest Prepared Especially For Busy Readers.

Miss Sallie Jackson of St. Louis murdered her babe and then suicided.

Judge Horace Burk of the Montana supreme court suicided by shooting.

Hermann Paul Schultz was hanged at Milford, Pa., for murdering his wife.

Albert Knopp of Detroit chased his mother with a hammer and then cut his own throat.

Five hundred miners in the Nottingham and German mines of Pennsylvania are on a strike.

John J. Gartland of Boston, representative-elect to the state legislature, has been arrested for embezzlement.

While under the influence of liquor Sergeant John Coughland of company D, First regiment, United States infantry, of San Francisco, shot himself through the heart.

A Mystery Cleared Up.

Frankfort, Ky., Dec. 8. — Samuel Crabtree, a convict 20 years old, confessed that four years ago he murdered his two cousins, William Short and Tony Rice, in Lawrence county. He incriminated David Dean, David Williamson and Dollie Frazier, all of whom were tried for the murder and acquitted. There has been a religious revival in the prison and Crabtree professed conversion.

Crooked Bankers In Court.

Kansas City, Dec. 8.—D. V. Rieger and R. D. Irvington, former president and cashier, respectively, of the Missouri National bank, appeared before Judge Rogers in the United States district court to answer indictments against them returned by the special federal grand jury. They pleaded not guilty and furnished bond.

One Way of Doing It.

Carson, Nev., Dec. 8.—Abram Uber, who killed Hans Andersen at Gardnerville last week, was taken from the Genoa jail, stripped of his clothing and hanged. His body was riddled with bullets by an angry mob of 25 men, supposed to be from Gardnerville.

He Was a Crack Shot.

Chicago, Dec. 8. — Fred Gilbert of Spirit Lake, Ia., successfully defended his right to the Kansas City Star cup. He defeated J. A. R. Elliott of Kansas City by the decisive score of 97 to 87. The three birds lost by Gilbert fell dead out of bounds.

Coatmakers' Strike.

New York, Dec. 8.—A strike involving 500 coatmakers occurred in a Rutgers street shop. The strikers allege that the employers demanded that each operator should finish 30 coats a day before payment for the day was made.

Favor a Wage Reduction.

Fall River, Mass., Dec. 8.—A large percentage of the cotton manufacturers here are in favor of reducing the wages of their employes as one method of contributing to the relief of the situation.

Death of a Cotton Operator.

New York, Dec. 8.—The death of Siegfried Gruner was announced on the Cotton Exchange here. Mr. Gruner was senior member of the cotton brokerage firm of Gruner & Company and one of the largest brokers in cotton. It is reported that he made $1,000,000 in the recent decline in cotton. He died at Richmond, Va., while on his way north.

English Pugilist Killed.

London, Dec. 8. — Walter Groot of Newcastle, England, who was defeated in 20 rounds for the bantamweight championship of the world by Jimmy Barry of Chicago, died of grief and the injuries he received. Barry and his second were arrested on charges of manslaughter. When Groot was knocked out by "Pedlar" Palmer a few years ago he was long in recovering.

Abe Writes a Denial.

Vienna, Dec. 8.—Dr. Abrahamovics, the former president of the lower house of the Austrian parliament, has written a letter to the Neue Freie Presse denying that he resigned the presidency and his seat in the house on the ground that he has been appointed a member of the upper house of the reichsrath.

Wants Bismarck's Opinion.

Berlin, Dec. 8.—Prince Henry of Prussia will visit Prince Bismarck at Friedrichsruhe and will spend several hours with the great statesman in order to obtain his views upon the Chinese situation.

Around the World Blindfolded.

Kansas City, Dec. 8.—Paul Alexander Johnstone, the mind reader, says he is going to take a trip around the world blindfolded. At the same time he is going to try to beat the record for globe trotters.

In Favor of Football.

Atlanta Dec. 8.—Governor Atkinson vetoed the anti-football bill because he thought the question of whether college boys should play football should be left with the faculties of the various institutions.

No Progress Made.

Chicago, Dec. 8.—There was no progress made in the selection of a Luetgert jury, and there is no immediate prospect that a full number of men will be secured.

An Explorer Honored.

Berlin, Dec. 8.—Herr Otto Finsch, the explorer, has been appointed professor of ornithology at Leyden university.

Trying to Hold Her Gold.

Paris, Dec. 8.—The Bank of France is charging a premium of 3 per mille to prevent gold exports.

Killed by a Horse.

Killbuck, O., Dec. 8.—Lambert Clow was kicked and instantly killed by a horse.

Possible Decay of the French Cuisine.

The tendency in all the French restaurants of the present day is to prepare meals for their chance customers who may happen in at any time of the day. Meals are eaten in a greater hurry than formerly, even in France, where it used to be the habit during the fiercest revolutionary and communistic struggles when the time of dejeuner came for each side to stop fighting for an hour or so and devote themselves to the midday meal. The hurry and anxiety of modern life are slowly destroying whatever was distinctive in French cooking, which cannot be properly done in haste or when food is required in very large quantities.

The development of club life is partly responsible for this, and the latter is only another sign of the deep lying social problems which confront modern existence at every step. Men in fashionable society dine more frequently at the club than they do at their own homes. Fewer people marry than formerly. Home life is decreasing and club life increasing. Hence the last refuge of the Parisian chef is at the fashionable clubhouses, which are now counted by the score, and most of which set very good tables.—Chautauquan.

Unseasonable Civility.

A northern visitor in Atlanta was walking with his host in the garden the other morning, when they came upon the gardener, an old negro of 70 years.

"This," said the host, "is Moses, an old family servant."

"Mr. Moses," said the northerner, extending his hand and touching his hat, "I am happy to meet you."

The old negro, ignoring the proffered hand, threw his own hat on the grass and, pulling at his wool, made a low obeisance.

When the guest was gone, he approached his employer and former master. "Marse Jim," he said, "ain't de 'lection done over?"

"The election?"

"Yes, sub; de votin?"

"Of course. Why do you ask?"

"Bekase," said the puzzled old fellow, "dat's de fust white man dat lif' he hat ter me en try ter shake hands out o' season. Dey sholy is somepin up."—Atlanta Constitution.

Low Tide When the Moon Rises or Sets.

There is one point in the Chesapeake bay where the tide has a definite period to change, and that is the mouth of Hoopers strait, half way between the Capes, at its mouth, and Turkey point, at its head. It is always low tide at Hoopers strait when the moon rises or sets. At the same time it is high tide at Sandy point, up the bay, and at New point, mouth of York river, at the same moment, and at every point below the York river and out at the Capes it is ebb tide at the same time, and at every point from New Point Comfort to Hoopers strait it is flood tide at that time, and at every point between Sandy point and Hoopers strait it is ebb tide at that time, or when the moon rises or sets, and at all points above Sandy point it is flood tide, even to the head of tide water in every tributary of the bay above Sandy point.—Baltimore American.

Ohio State Dental Association.

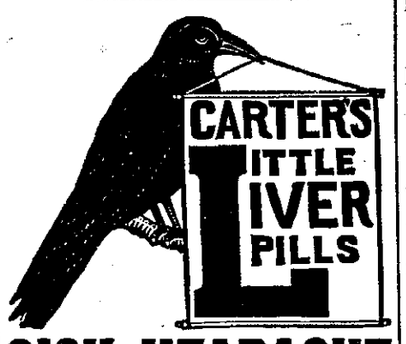
Columbus, O., Dec. 8.—The Ohio State Dental association is in annual convention, with a good attendance.

Crushed by a Tree.

Upper Sandusky, O., Dec. 8.—Jacob Arter was crushed to death by a tree which he had chopped down.

Ohio Federation of Labor.

Columbus, O., Dec. 8.—The first annual convention of the Ohio Federation of Labor is in session here.



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WANT COLUMN.

FOR RENT—A cottage on Bond street between Fourth and Gallia, with water and gas. Inquire of Abe Mayer, Gallia street. 8 6t

FOR SALE—Three new modern built houses best location in the city see 126 West Second street.

WANTED—Man to deliver and collect that can furnish small cash security. Address J. H. G., this office.

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WANTED—Girl for general house work. no washing or ironing. C. C. Brown, 819 Offnere street.

$50.00 Can be averaged in a legitimate collection agency. We want a capable and popular business man with $250 capital to take a half interest and manage a local office in Portsmouth. We solicit a thorough investigation of our system and business methods. Address G.H.H. Room 15, Pythian Temple, Cleveland.

A CHRISTMAS PRESENT

With every Cash Purchase of One Dollar and over.

You are invited to come and spend a half hour or so at our store to examine our attractive line of Holiday Goods. All Holiday Goods and small wares displayed on table in centre aisle and marked in plain figures.

Fine Imported Dress Goods At Half Price.

We have a number of beautiful French Dress Goods in pattern lengths, that we have cut to one-half price to sell before X-mas. There are no choicer or more elegant dress stuffs to be found in Portsmouth than these patterns, HALF PRICE.

Feather Boas

At $1.00, $1.35 and $2.00 each.

Damask Table Covers

Extra nice assortment at $1.00, and upwards.

Bargains

That can't be beat are those that you will find in our

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Some choice Wraps left yet, to which we have fixed some very tempting prices.

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Light Calicoes

For Children's aprons and dresses make nice Christmas Gifts which cannot help but be appreciated, in pink, blue and black figures; also stripes in blue, pink and black.

White Goods.

Beautiful new line of White Dimities, just received.

Lot No. 1, 4 different patterns, pretty and sheer, 5c per yd.

Lot No. 2, White Dimities, 8c per yard.

Lot No. 3, White Dimities, 10c per yard.

Holiday Handkerchiefs, an endless variety from 1c a piece up.

Guessing is getting more interesting every day. Three handsome presents given away that we need not be ashamed of to the First, Second and Third nearest guessers on the Beans in our Show window

JOHN F. STEAHLY,

Opera House Block, Fourth and Chillicothe.

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Portsmouth Steam Dye House,

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FOR SALE—Cottage residence on Second street below Chillicothe adjoining Geo. O. Newman one of the most desirable locations of the city. Inquire of Jas. W. Newman, Central Savings Bank. tf

FOR RENT—Dwelling on East Ninth street, with six rooms and bath room, in excellent condition. See J. E. Jones, 412 Court street. 29tf

FOR SALE—No. 1 red brick at $4.50 and $5 00 per thousand delivered. See C. Weghorst, corner Tenth and Chillicothe street. tf

FOR RENT OR SALE—Excellent hotel of tweety-six rooms, good location. Inquire of Rottinghaus, Market street. 26-tf

Weighty Problems

To be solved are the ones pertaining to Christmas Presents. We all want to make presents to our friends, but we want to do so upon as little money as possible. It is also puzzling to know just what to select for presents.

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FINE TIES, HANDKERCHIEFS, GLOVES, HATS, SUITS, OVERCOATS, TELESCOPES,

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These are serviceable articles. If you buy $5 worth we give a fine silk muffler; if you buy $10 worth we give a fine silk umbrella.

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$2.00

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Special Low Prices for Cash Only.

1 lb new buckwheat	4c
1 lb can good baking powder	5c
1 10c box toilet soap	5c
1 25c box toilet soap	15c
All package coffee	10c
1 lb new barley	5c
1 qt. navy beans	5c
1 gal. best sorghum	30c
2 lb best California apricots	25c
2 lb best California prunes	25c
2 lb best California peaches	25c
3 lb good California prunes	25c
2 large mackerel	5c
1 lb codfish	5c
1 lb wine cakes	10c
1 lb lunch milk crackers	8c
1 lb butter crackers	5c
1 lb oyster crackers	5c

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You Have Heard

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Fresh Butter Crackers

At 4c a pound

Before this. You can get them at this price, and everything else that is good to eat proportionately low at

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Cheap Corner Grocer, Gay and Gallia

A RAVING MANIAC

Securely Chained to an Iron Bar In His Home.

HAD BEEN THERE ELEVEN YEARS.

Shocking Case of Maltreatment of an Unfortunate Person In Pennsylvania. No Attempt Had Been Made to Have the Victim Sent to an Asylum So Far as Known.

Pittsburg, Dec. 8. — Humane Officer O'Brien has unearthed one of the most shocking cases of maltreatment of the insane ever recorded in western Pennsylvania at Cline's Hollow, Westmoreland county, this state.

After a careful investigation the officer has ascertained that Franklin Pierce Cline, 43, has been chained for the past 11 years to an iron bar with a chain which will not permit him to move in any direction more than six or eight feet.

He is a raving maniac, and during his long period of incarceration he has been constantly kept in a state of nudity.

Cutting Down the Force.

Philadelphia, Dec. 8. — Superintendent Kretz notified 42 employes of the United States mint that their services would not be required after Dec. 15. The men dismissed were employed in the coining, refining and melting departments. The dismissals were the result of Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Vanderlip's recent investigation here and the desire of the treasury department to save about $40,000 annually in the expenses of the mint.

King of the Highbinders Dead.

San Francisco, Dec. 8. — The dead body of Loo Fook Muey, known as the King of the Highbinders, who, several days ago, tried to rob another Chinese, was found in a room in Chinatown. At the time of the attempted robbery both men fired at each other, and a trail of blood left by Lee Fook while making his escape showed that he had been wounded. The discovery of his body proves that the wounds he received were fatal.

Demented Woman Missing.

Atlantic City, Dec. 8.—Miss Maggie Kirkpatrick of Philadelphia, who was a guest at a local cottage, is missing. She is said to have about $30,000 in government bonds on her person, which she persisted in carrying around with her because she does not trust banks. The woman has a strong belief that the Freemasons and the Hebrews are trying to "hoodoo" her. She has been missing since Saturday.

Struck a Fishing Smack.

Queenstown, Dec. 8. — The British steamer Catalonia, Captain Stephens, from Boston Nov. 27 for Liverpool, in thick weather off Kinsale head at daybreak, collided with the Guernsey Fishing smack Hazzard. The blow was a slanting one and carried away the smack's mainmast at the crosstrees, her cathead, stanchions and compass, and almost capsized the vessel.

Opposed by Herr Richter.

Berlin, Dec. 8.—In the reichstag Herr Richter, the Radical leader, spoke in opposition to the naval bill, which was before the house on first reading, dwelling upon the serious increase of expenditure for which the bill provides. He contended that the great display of power made in China proved that the government considered the navy equal to the task imposed upon it.

Just the Thing For Spain.

Madrid, Dec. 8.—The cabinet considered the dispatches from Senor de Lome, Spanish minister at Washington, containing extracts from President McKinley's message to congress. The ministers agreed in considering the message generally favorable to Spanish interests. Its tone has produced a good effect in official circles.

Union Men Quit Work.

Brazil, Ind., Dec. 8.—The 250 employes of the Crawford Coal company's No. 2 at Center Point quit work because they discovered a nonunion man at work and four union men who had not paid their dues. General Manager Fisher refused to discharge the men complained of and all quit.

Knitting Mill Assignment.

Mankato, Minn., Dec. 8.—The Mankato knitting mills made an assignment. The recent failure of President J. A. Willard was the immediate cause of the failure of the mill company. Liabilities, $85,000; assets unobtainable.

China Ready to Settle.

Shanghai, Dec. 8.—China is willing to pay Germany 1,000,000 taels (about $781,250) and grant all the German demands, including the cession of Kiao-Chau bay and adjoining territory.

Two Things Produce Malaria:

The malarial parasite and a **deranged system.** Quinine will kill the parasite, but has no curative effect upon the general system.

Ant=al=gor

Kills the parasite and brings the system to a perfect condition. Complete course of treatment for one dollar. Pamphlet free.

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Tonight.

At the Opera house.

Mr. and Mrs. Russ Whytal in their new romantic drama "For Fair Virginia."

Mr. and Mrs. Russ Whytal and their excellent supporting company of twelve arrived in the city on the N. & W. this morning. They showed last evening at Chillicothe to a crowded house and the audience was delighted with the play. It is justly considered one of the finest plays on the road dealing with life in aristocratic circles in old Virginia and life before the war. Mr. and Mrs. Whytal and the majority of their company have appeared in the production about 600 times. In the presentation of the play a lot of fine special scenery is used. If you want to see a good show go to the Opera house tonight.

IS IT A TRIFLE?

THAT COMMON TROUBLE ACID DYSPEPSIA OR SOUR STOMACH.

Now Recognized as a Cause of Serious Disease.

Acid dyspepsia, commonly called heartburn or sour stomach, is a form of indigestion resulting from fermentation of the food. The stomach being too weak to properly digest it, the food remains until fermentation begins, filling the stomach with gas, and a bitter, sour burning taste in the mouth is often present. This condition soon becomes chronic, and being an every day occurrence is given but little attention. Because dyspepsia is not immediately fatal, many people do nothing for the trouble.

Within a recent period a remedy has been discovered prepared solely to cure dyspepsia and stomach troubles. It is known as Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets and is now becoming rapidly used and prescribed as a radical cure for every form of dyspepsia.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets have been placed before the public and are sold by druggists everywhere at 50 cents per package. It is prepared by the Stuart Co., Marshall, Mich., and while it promptly and effectually restores a vigorous digestion, at the same time is perfectly harmless and will not injure the most delicate stomach, but on the contrary by giving perfect digestion strengthens the stomach, improves the appetite and makes life worth living.

Send for free book on Stomach Diseases by addressing Stuart Co., Marshall, Mich.

DECEMBER CROP CONDITIONS.

Special Report of the State Board of Agriculture for Month of November.

The Times is indebted to H. S. Grimes, member of the state board of agriculture, for the following interesting report of acreage and crop conditions, as reported by the board for the month of November.

On November 1st the severe drouth that had prevailed for many weeks was broken, and during the early part of the month the weather conditions were favorable to the germination and growth of wheat, and the result is an estimated improvement of twelve points, as compared with the estimate made on November 1st for the month of October. While some improvement is shown, the condition of wheat at this time is still thirty-seven points below a fair average condition and will not go into winter in a sufficiently vigorous condition to withstand freezing and thawing. A favorable winter, with considerable snow protection, is required to protect and advance the plant toward anything like a fair average prospect.

This is the first report of the year estimating the corn crop in bushels. While many counties show a fair average production, there are also many that show from a poor to a medium product. This uneven distribution of the crop is in a great measure due to the season. The crop was late in being planted and the condition of the soil during the planting season was not good and considerable had to be replanted. Taking the state as a whole, there is, however, a fairly good crop of corn, compared with a series of years. It is estimated to be about twenty-seven bushels short of the crop of 1896, but that crop was an extraordinarily large one; it is only about four millions less than the crop of 1895. The production of corn the present year exceeds the average produced for a number of years previous to 1895. As to quality, it is not all prime. Considerable is rated as unmerchantable.

Wheat—Condition compared with an average, 53 per cent; crop of 1897 sold since threshing, 45 per cent; damage to growing crop by Hessian fly, 2 per cent.

Corn—Estimated area for 1897, 2,750,039 acres; average yield per acre, 33.67 bushels; total estimated product for 1897, 92,608,123 bushels; cut up for fodder, 84 per cent.; put into silo, 7 per cent.; average date of cutting for fodder, 19th of September; average date of cribbing, 19th of October.

Clover Seed—Probable total yield compared with average, 111 per cent.

Apples—Probable total yield compared with average, 21 per cent.

Rheumatism Cured in a Day.

"Mystic Cure" for rheumatism and neuralgia radically cures in one to three days. Its action upon the system is remarkable and mysterious. It removes at once the cause and the disease immediately disappears. The first dose greatly benefits. 75 cents. Sold by Wurster Bros., druggists, Portsmouth, O.

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Men's lined mitts 10c
Men's extra heavy wool mitts, long wool wristlet 25c
Men's extra heavy wool gloves 39c
Men's lined leather gloves, knit wristlet 25c
Boys' sizes, same kind 25c
Men's heavy glove or mitt, horsehide palm, wool back gauntlet 50c
Black Cashmere glove 20c
Men's and Boys' gloves and mitts, large variety, from 10c to $1.50 per pair, every number a good value.

Ladies Gloves and Mitts.

Ladies' all wool mitts 10c
Ladies' worsted mitts 13c
Ladies' double mitts, extra quality 18c
Ladies' black mitts, fancy back 25c
Ladies' silk mitts, fancy back 50c
Children's mitts, single and double 10c
Children's worsted mitts, all prices, 10, 15, 18, 20, 25c.
Ladies' cashmere gloves 15c
Ladies' cashmere gloves 25c
Better grades, 25, 35 and 49c
Black taffetta lined 49c
Best $1 00 kid glove in the city, every pair warranted.

Comforts.

Good, heavy, fancy 65c
Better grades, 70c, 90c, 95c, $1.23 and $2 00

Yard wide muslin, good quality 3½c
Yard wide bleached 4½c
Good Calico 4c
All our best calicoes 4½c
Indigo blue, mourning and fancies.

Heavy fleeced wrapper flannels 7½c
Outing flannels striped, light and dark styles 4½c
White domet, good grade 4c
Canton flannel, good quality 5c
Better grades, 5, 7½, 8½ and 10c
Storm flannels, extra weight, brown and gray mixture 7½c
Ready made sheets and pillow cases.

Ladies' fleeced, ribbed vests 10c
Ladies' fleeced ribbed, made of soft Egyptian cotton in pants and vests 23c
Ladies' extra heavy, grey fleeced, worth 35c 25c
Ladies' part wool, grey, in pants and vests, worth 50c 35c
Ladies' union suits, extra quality, grey or ecru 49c
Better grades, all prices.

Large line table linens, towels, crashes, etc.

Men's working shirts, worth 25c 19c
Men's extra heavy double breasted, part wool shirts 39c
Can't be equalled for 50c.
Men's undershirts, grey or white, shirts or drawers 23c
Extra quality, natural 25c
Extra heavy wool fleeced 75c
Large line better goods and each one a bargain.

Special good values in pocket books, laces and embroideries.
Our umbrellas are quick sellers. Have the new patent self-closing umbrella, good cloth, steel rod 98c

Hosiery.

Children's seamless, ribbed, black fleeced 6 to 8½ 10c
Children's seamless, ribbed, black cashmere, 5 to 8½ 15c
Infants' soft seamless, ribbed cashmere, 5 to 8½ 10c
Boys' double knee, ribbed, cotton, 6 to 8½ 10c
Ladies' seamless, black fleeced 10c
Ladies' seamless, black cashmere 15c
Ladies' black seamless, 5c and upwards.
Men's socks, cotton, 4c and upwards.
All wool, blue mixed, 2 for 25c
Camels hair, 2 for 25c

Blankets.

All full sizes.
10-4 grey blanket, assorted borders, nothing to equal it 45c
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Extra heavy, assorted borders, cotton blanket in grey and brown 90c
All wool grey blanket, both warp and filling $1 98
Better grades up to $6 00

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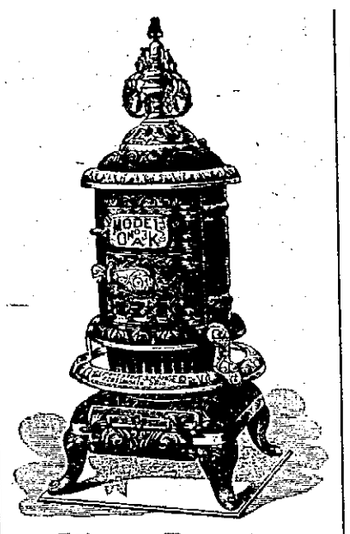

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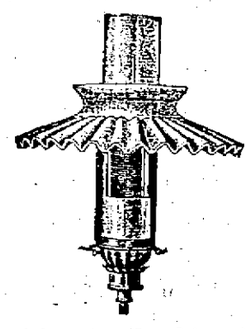

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LIVELY SKIRMISH

In the House Over the President's Message.

CIVIL SERVICE LAW ATTACKED.

General Charles H. Grosvenor of Ohio Fired the First Gun and Awoke the Friends and Enemies of What Is Sometimes Called the "Barnacle Act." Other Washington News.

Washington, Dec. 8.—The session of the house, though it lasted but two hours, witnessed a very lively skirmish over the question of distributing the president's message to the various committees clothed with jurisdiction over the subjects dealt with.

The conflict of authority came between the ways and means committee and the banking and currency committee. The battle raged all along the line.

During the debate General Grosvenor of Ohio fired the first gun against the civil service law, and this also brought the friends and enemies of that measure into action.

Mr. Johnson of Indiana, in a ringing warning, declared that if a bill to emasculate the civil service law were passed it would meet the presidential veto.

Eventually Mr. Dingley, in deference to the opposition of the members of the banking and currency committee, agreed to a modification of the order of distribution so as to send to the ways and means committee all matters relating to the "revenues, the bonded debt of the country, and the treaties affecting the revenues." The resolution was then adopted.

After the session Chairman Walker claimed he had won a decisive victory, and that his committee, under the order, would have jurisdiction of a measure to—as he expressed it—"convert the greenbacks into gold certificates"; but members of the ways and means committee insisted that the change of verbiage in the order would not affect their jurisdiction, and that a measure such as the president suggested, if introduced in the house, would be referred by the speaker to their committee.

In the Senate.

Washington, Dec. 8.—A new member in Mr. H. Le S. Money of Mississippi was introduced in the senate, and after some brief criticism of the form of his credentials the oath of office was administered to him.

Mr. Money was assigned to the seat formerly occupied by Mr. Daniel of Virginia, the latter securing the seat in the center of the Democratic side which was occupied by the late Senator George.

During the session 108 bills, many of which were private pension measures, were introduced, in addition to several joint resolutions and some senate resolutions.

An interesting contest for precedence in consideration between Mr. Lodge's immigrant bill and the proposed legislation to confer authority upon the president to act for the protection of the government's interests at the sale of the Kansas Pacific railroad was pending at the close of the session.

SUBCOMMITTEES NAMED.

Chairman Dingley Gets Ready For Consideration of Important Measures.

Washington, Dec. 8.—At a special meeting of the ways and means committee Chairman Dingley named the subcommittees which will consider the important measures referred to this committee, as follows:

Customs—Dingley, Payne, Dalzell, Hopkins, Grosvenor, Bailey and McMillin.

Customs administration — Payne, Russell, Dingley, Johnson, Steele, Swanson and Robertson.

Internal revenue — Evans, Dolliver, Steele, Russell, Dingley, McMillin and McClellan.

Public debt—Dalzell, Johnson, Dingley, Bailey and Wheeler.

Reciprocity and commercial treaties—Hopkins, Dolliver, Tawney, Payne, Dingley, McMillin and McClellan.

Revenue from other sources than customs and on miscellaneous subjects—Grosvenor, Russell, Tawney, Evans, Swanson and Wheeler.

Watching Developments.

Washington, Dec. 8.—The German advance in China is being watched with keen interest in official and diplomatic circles here, owing to the latest cable reports that Germany had followed up her occupation of Kiao-Chau bay and fortifications by sending an armed force inland and occupying the town of Kiao-Chau. Japan may take a hand.

Receipts From Customs.

Washington, Dec. 8.—Assistant Secretary Howell of the treasury department has written a letter in which he says that the actual receipts from customs during the four months that the act of 1897 has been in operation amounted to $34,474,322.

To Consider Corbett's Claim.

Washington, Dec. 8.—Senator Chandler, chairman of the senate committee on privileges and elections, said that he would call a meeting of the committee for some day either this week or next for the consideration of the claim of Hon. H. W. Corbett to a seat in the senate from the state of Oregon, by virtue of the appointment of the governor of that state. He expressed the opinion that a majority of the committee would be found favorable to Mr. Corbett's claim.

Treasury Statement.

Washington, Dec. 8.—The statement of the condition of the treasury shows: Available cash balance, $228,401,795; gold reserve, $158,036,787.

Notes.

Secretary of the Treasury Gage has deposited $900,000 to qualify the government as a bidder for the Kansas Pacific railroad, which is to be sold Dec. 16.

A delegation from the Choctaw and Chickasaw Indian nations in Indian territory is in Washington to look after legislation in the interests of those tribes.

The subcommittee on pensions of the house committee on appropriations agreed upon the pension appropriation bill, which carries a total of $141,218,830.

A resolution has been introduced in the senate extending for two years the time in which railroads must supply safety appliances for the protection of employes and passengers.

The court of appeals of the District of Columbia held that "trading stamps" are illegal within the meaning of the act of congress prohibiting lotteries as gift enterprises.

Stuck In the Ice.

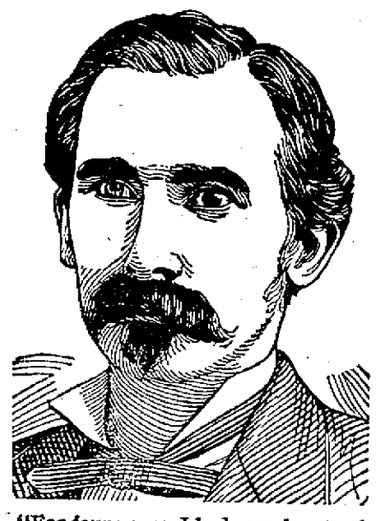
Chicago, Dec. 8.—Five Chicago men are imprisoned in the ice and snow hundreds of miles beyond the last point of civilization in Northwest Territory. A relief expedition will undertake to rescue and bring them back to civilization.

Cold Weather Brings Catarrh.

Though the disagreeable effects of Catarrh are felt all the year round, cold and disagreeable weather aggravates the disease and it is during the winter season that its severest form is felt. Each succeeding year seems to intensify the disease, so that it gradually fastens its hold upon the sufferer with a grasp that becomes firmer each season.

Catarrh often appears as only a cold at first, and is hardly noticed. But gradually the cold returns, and it is more difficult to cure, and stays longer than formerly. These symptoms cannot be mistaken; they mark the first appearance of a disease that will develop in severity and stubbornness, and which it is impossible to cure with the local treatment of sprays, washes, and similar applications. Being a disease of the blood, only a blood remedy can have the slightest effect upon it. S.S.S. (Swift's Specific) is the only cure for Catarrh, because it is the only blood remedy which goes to the seat of all obstinate and deep-seated cases, and forces out the disease.

Mr. T. A. Williams, a leading merchant of Spartanburg, S. C., writes:



"For four years I had nasal catarrh, and though the case was a mild one at first, it was not long until I noticed that it was gradually growing worse. Of course I was under treatment of first-class physicians, but their remedies were applied locally, and the disease seemed to be getting a firmer hold on me all the while.

"After spending so much money for treatment which proved to be all in vain, I was urged to try S.S.S. This remedy proved to be the right one, for it got at the disease, and a few bottles cured me perfectly. The cure was a permanent one, and I have not had a touch of the disease for many years. Swift's Specific is the only remedy that will have the slighest effect upon Catarrh."

Sufferers from Catarrh should get a start on the disease before the cold weather aggravates it. Those who have been relying upon local treatment will find winter weather is all that is needed to show that the disease is still with them. A course of S.S.S. (Swift's Specific) will prove all assertions made that it is the only cure for Catarrh; it goes to the cause of the trouble—the blood—and forces out all traces of the disease.

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TURNED HIM LOOSE.

Very Dangerous Embezzler Gets Out of Jail on Bond.

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 8.—Ex-Auditor Eugene Moore, convicted of embezzlement and under sentence of eight years in the penitentiary, was released from the county jail pending the hearing of his case in the upper court on an order from the supreme court, which approved his bail bond. Moore is broken in health.

The court overruled the motion for a reversal of the 20-year sentence of ex-Treasurer Bartley. Argument in the case was postponed for two weeks. The motion was made on the ground that the attorney general had repeatedly failed to file his intervening plea. It was brought to the court's attention that the answer had since been filed.

Some Prisoners Released.

Havana, Dec. 8.—Captain General Blanco, the governor general, signed a decree releasing 41 persons who have been imprisoned on charges of complicity in the insurgent movement.

Died In a Hospital.

New York, Dec. 8.—Charles Bordellois, a Cuban officer who was wounded in the fighting in Cuba and brought to this city for medical treatment, died in a hospital.

French Statesman Dead.

Paris, Dec. 8.—M. de Fourtou, 62, former minister of the interior, is dead.

REFINED TORTURE

It's on the Decrease in Portsmouth Now—A Citizen Explains Why.

Year in and year out many of our citizens have struggled along, bearing unnecessary burdens of the back, seeking relief from sources where it could not be found, suffering the refined tortures which goes with a bad back. The little conqueror has brought about a wondrous change, and from all parts comes the same report. Hundreds of grateful hasten to endorse the good work and speak publicly of their own personal benefit. Read what his Portsmouth resident says:

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People who fail to look after their health are like the carpenter who neglects to sharpen his tools. People are not apt to get anxious about their health soon enough. If you are "not quite well" or "half sick" have you ever thought that your kidneys may be the cause of your sickness?

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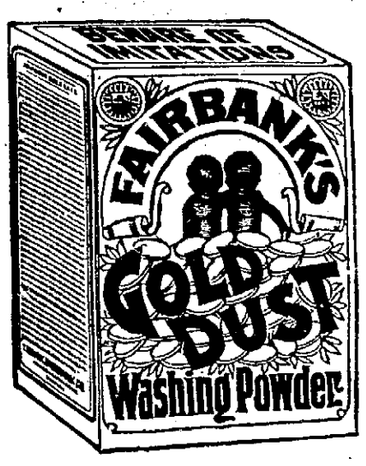

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POLICE COURT.

Cox the Colored Charmer of Miss Hereford Goes Free.

Jury Declares Him Not Guilty of Assault —Was a Put-Up-Job—A Stolen Watch —West Virginia Family in Destitute Circumstances—Some Mischievous Boys.

Cox, the colored barber, charged with assault on a woman named Hereford, who works at the Biggs House, was acquitted in mayor's court Tuesday. The jury was out an hour or so before reaching a verdict. On first ballot the vote stood seven to five for conviction. On the fifteenth ballot all voted for acquittal, and Cox was discharged as not guilty. The assault, if there was such a thing, was provoked and encopraged by the woman, who showed very bad taste in the conduct toward the barber. Notes were freely exchanged and the woman seems to have been lavish with her smiles bestowed on her colored lover. The so-called assault was a pre-arranged affair.

Warrants have been issued for four boys who are in the habit of ringing door-bells and getting into all sorts of mischief near Sixth and Court streets. The boys who are to be arrested are John Herrick, Jr., son of Policeman Herrick, Charley Groman, John Snagler and John Snyder.

Marshal Schmitt has in his possession a gold watch, chain and ring which have evidently been stolen. They were sold for $2 to a party in town a few days ago. The watch is a Waltham open face and when new cost considerable money. The marshal does not think the watch was stolen here in town.

An old soldier, his wife and two small children were lodgers at the city station house last night. The man gave his name as Peyton McComass. He said he came from Wayne county, West Virginia, and was looking for work wherever he could find it. His household goods are on the wharfboat.

A fellow named Falon who has been employed at the Excelsior shoe factory, was reported as leaving town Tuesday evening without squaring a three weeks' board bill due Mrs. Patton, of West Fourth street. The police tried to find him last night, but he was successful in catching a freight train and getting out of town.

WITHIN A FEW DAYS

There Will Be Another Shake Up in the Tribune Office—Valjean Offers Finney $2,000 for the Recent Purchase.

Now that the sale of the Tribune to Frank B. Finney has been confirmed, something is expected to drop within a very few days. Mr. Finney, when asked as to his future plans, etc., refused to be interviewed and would give out no information whatever. It is understood from a reliable source that a change will soon be made in the Tribune editorship, unless the friends of Valjean come to his rescue and buy in the paper for him. Some sort of a propositon for the purchase of the plant has been made by his friends, wherein they offer to pay something like $2,000 for the concern. It is hardly likely this will be accepted by the mortgage creditors, who are in for about $3,500. Mr. Finney bid the plant in at $3,050.

In case Valjean's friends do not succeed in getting control of the Tribune it is announced that a new paper will be started. Negotiations are now pending for the purchase of the Correspondent press, and if the new paper makes its appearance it will be from the old Correspondent quarters on Gallia street.

Notice to Coal Dealers.

Bids will be received until Monday, at 12 m., December 27th, at the office of city water works to furnish nut and slack, or pea and slack, to city water works for one year from January 1st, 1898. Same to be delivered in the pumping house.

8-8t THOS. S. HALL, Secy.

Over 1,000 Guesses.

The guessing on the jar of marbles at John F. Steahly's dry goods store, in the opera house block, is progressing at a lively rate. Over a thousand guesses have been registered already. The prizes given away are valuable. Read the "ad." and see for yourself.

A Suggestion.

A nice present for mother—hair or cloth brush; comb, brush and mirror, hot water bottle, pocket-book, a nice bottle of toilet water.

FISHER & STREICH,
Opposite post-office.

Lydia Dexter Very Ill.

Miss Lydia Dexter Wishon, queen of the fairies in one of Chas. H. Yale's great shows, is seriously ill. She was compelled to leave the show several weeks ago and is now in a hospital at Philadelphia. Her mother left for her bedside Tuesday.

Perfumery.

A full line of Cut Glass Bottles and Fancy Colored Bottles of all descriptions, filled with fine extracts, all prices. WIN NYE.
Pure, Fresh Clean Drugs. 7-d4w2t

Mrs. Caden Very Low.

Mrs. Caden, the venerable mother of the Caden Bros., is seriously ill at her home at Buena Vista. She was stricken with paralysis Sunday and has been in a semi-conscious condition ever since. It is hardly expected she will recover.

A fine line of ladies' muslin underwear at Flora Dellerts'.

Housekeepers who have been using a cheap alum baking powder cannot imagine how a trial of Cleveland's baking powder would surprise them.

The light, dainty cake and biscuit would warrant the small difference in price.

Guarantee.

Grocers are authorized to give back your money if you do not find Cleveland's the best baking powder you have ever used.
Cleveland Baking Powder Co., N.Y.
720

THE WEATHER PROPHET.

Ohio.—Generally fair tonight and Thursday; cloudy on the lake, with slight change in the temperature.

AND THEY WERE WEDDED.

A Mt. Joy Couple United in Wedlock by Squire Hall Yesterday Afternoon.

J. W. Campbell and Louella Sloan, a fine looking couple from Duke P. O., near Mt. Joy, came to Portsmouth yesterday to get married. Louella was rigged out to kill, having on a white silk dress, with dainty white kid slippers, and a hat with 'steen plumes. They called at 'Squire Hall's residence late yesterday afternoon, and in the parlor of his home their two hearts were made to beat as one. Then they started—white slippers and all—back to the old home, and may peace and joy be theirs forever more.

STRANDED ACTOR

Has Been Making His Home in Portsmouth for a Few Days.

A young gentleman giving the name of Lou Burke has been about town for a few days. He claims to be an actor and says his home is in Cincinnati. Early this season he went East to join a company, booked for a Southern tour. Cash failed in Southern Virginia and the tour came to an abrupt end. Burke, who was left without a dollar, immediately started for Cincinnati, beating and begging his way. He struck Portsmouth Monday and also got a big lift and was enabled to go on to Cincinnati this afternoon.

A CAKE WALK

Will Bring to a Close the Big Minstrel Show of the P. C. C's., Monday Night.

The P. C. C. minstrels next Monday night will close with a cake walk that is guaranteed to beat anything that has ever been seen here. The costumes that will be worn in the "walk" are something truly amazing and are worth the price of admission. The audience will be given a chance to decide which couple is entitled to the cake. The indications are that the whole performance will be first-class and equal to any minstrel show on the road.

You run no risk in buying Marigold Cream. Return the bottle half full and get your money back if it does not do what we claim. We think this is fair.

FISHER & STREICH,
6-3t Opposite post-office.

Painting the Building.

The front of the building occupied by Frank Legler, on Chillicothe street, is being repainted. Mr. Legler has one of the neatest and most attractive stores in the city. He has lately received a large shipment of holiday goods and some of them are displayed to excellent advantage in the big show windows.

Smith's Tiger Head Ale on Tap.

On and after Friday next I will have on draught the famous brand of Smith's Tiger Head India Pale Ale. This is the finest ale in the world, and you can find it nowhere else in the city on tap.

GEORGE FRESHELL,
7-3t Palace Restaurant.

Doing a Good Business.

Mr. W. Plummer has engaged in the monument business in this city, being located at 275 Gallia street. He came to Portsmouth from Vanceburg, where he also has a store. Mr. Plummer is a good workmann and is doing a nice business. He is now engaged on a fine monument for the late Charles Wertz.

For domestic use Ashland lump and nut coal is the best.

D. E. EDWARDS,
Cor. Third and Chillicothe Sts.

Extensive Eastern Trip.

Mr. J. M. Lopinsky, of the Sample Shoe company, has planned an extensive Eastern trip as soon as the holidays are past. Accompanied by Mrs. Lopinsky and little daughter, Hazel, he will go to New York, Boston and other cities to visit friends and remain five or six weeks.

See the display of water colors in all sizes and styles, for two weeks, at Mrs. B. Inez Spry's, 320 Chillicothe street.

Baptist Social.

The members of the Baptist church had a pleasant social last evening at the home of Mrs. Wendelken on East Fourth street. A program was rendered during the evening and an enjoyable evening spent by all.

Lehman's for gloves.

Fine Dress Patterns.

Only 75 left of our finest imported Novelty Dress Patterns. These are choice, new goods and will make a useful and handsome present.

$6 and $7 patterns reduced to $4.89.
$7.50 and $7.84 patterns reduced to $5.98.
$8.50 and $10.00 patterns reduced to $7.98.
$11.00 and $12.50 patterns reduced to $9.98.

Hundreds of others of equally good value at 98c, $1.20, $2.00, $2.73, $3.50.

Plaids for Waists and Skirts at 20c, 39c, 50c, 75c, $1.

Umbrellas.

Gent's Fine Umbrellas, sterling silver trimmed handles, at $4.00, $5.00 and $6.00.

Ladies' Umbrellas, choice assortment of handles, prices 98c, $1.39, $2.00, $2.50, $3.00, $4.00, $5.00.

Down Pillows

At 25c, 40c, 65c, 75c, 90c.

Embroidery Silks.

Certicelli Wash and Filo, 4c a skein, 3 for 10c, all colors.

Footing, Inserting, Edges, Handkerchief Linen for making Handkerchiefs.

Millinery.

Our fine trimmed hats are selling fast under the price stimulus of one half former price Is it any wonder? $8.00 hat now for $4.00 —$4.00 hats for $2.00, and so on through. See window display.

Fancy Ribbons.

Narrow Fancy Ribbons for hair, fancy work, etc., at 5c, 8c, 10c and 12½c.

Large line of No. 30 and 40 fancy stripes and checks at 19c, 25c, and 35c.

G. W. Anderson & Sons,

Corner Second and Court Streets.

FREE!

With every $10 worth of goods purchased from us between now and January 16, we will give ONE SOLID GOLD Set ring, now on display in our window. We do not ask you to purchase $10.00 worth at one time, but with every 5c worth you purchase from us you are given credit on your card. We acknowledge we are losing considerable money bs this transaction, at the same time we are pleasing our customers with an elegant X-mas Gift.

Holiday Dress Goods.

Black Dress Goods. Grandest Line and newest designs in the Market. Special Prices for our Holiday Trade.

30 in. Black Serges at 12c yd.
30 in. Black Brocades at 12c yd.
34 in. Black Brocades at 15c yd.
36 in. Black Brocades at 18c yd.
44 in. Black Brocades at 25c yd.
36 in. Black Serge, All Wool, 25c yd.
40 in. All Wool black Serge and Henrietta 35c yd.
46 in. All Wool black Serges at 40c yd.
42 in. All Wool Brocades at 45c yd.
40 in. All Wool Lizzard Cloth at 50c, choice line to select from.
Big line Serges and Henriettas 46 in. wide at 50c yd.
46 in. Brocades and Crepons at 50c yd.
46 in. Brocades, choice line, 65 and 70c yd.
Silk and Wool Crepons, new designs, choice line at $1.00, $1.15, $1.20 $1.25 and $1.35 yd.
Colored Dress Goods, immense line for our Holiday Trade from 12½c upwards.
Choice line Plaids from 5c upwards.

Holiday Handkerchiefs.

Men's regular 25c Japanette Hdkf. with beautiful Silk initial extra large size at 12½c each.
Men's regular 35c Japanette Hdkf. with beautiful Silk initial extra large and fine quality at 18c.
Ladies' Japanette Hdkfs. Silk initial, regular 20c quality at 10c each.
Ladies' Silk initial Hdkfs., fine quality at 15c each.
Men's Silk initial Hdkfs., extra fine quality at 25c each.
Hdkfs. at 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12½, 15, 18, 20 and 25c each.

The Low Priced Retailors,

Steahly Bros.

313 Chillicothe St. Between Third and Fourth.

OUR STORE

Is not the biggest in town, but our lines of different goods are the largest of this kind and our prices are the lowest. We have a complete line of Books selected for all ages from 5c up. Albums from 50c up. Mirrors from 10c to $4.00. Medallions from 25c up. Toilet Cases from 89c up. Glove and Tie Boxes. Our toy department is the largest in town. Dolls and Doll Heads from 5c to $3.00. Wagons, Sleds, Beds, Tables Chairs, Desks, Magic Lanterns and thousands of other articles. Games and Blocks. Bibles from 45c to $7.50. Prayer Books.

Schloss & Co., 414 Chillicothe Street.

House Slippers.

There is nothing more comfortable to wear sitting around the fire-side than a pair of slippers. We have a big variety to show you both for Men and Ladies. In Ladies' Slippers we have a big line of Strap Sandals in Kid and Patent Leather at $1.00 and $1.50. Ladies' plain Kid Slippers, felt lined at $1.00 are solid comfort and durable. Our Ladies' Felt Romeo's are the nicest and most comfortable house slipper imaginable.

Our Men's leather slipper stock is larger than ever before and contains all the different shapes and colors ranging in price from 35c to $2.00. Why would not a pair of slippers make a nice Christmas present?

Anderson Bros.,

Home Factory Shoe Stores,

109 West Second Street. 603 Chillicothe Street.

Christmas Thoughts.

There is great fascination in buying home needs and presents for the family and friends, but

What to Buy. This a most difficult question. For you consult us, we made the market a study. Profit by our Experience, save time and money and travel less.

What to give. A nice Cape or Jacket would be a very useful and appropriate Present. Our Stock is complete in this line from the cheapest to the very best.

Fur Collarettes from $2.25 to $12.50 in several different styles.

Sense Gifts. A nice Umbrella we can give you any quality you may wish. A good steel rod umbrella, fast black at 50c up to $5.00.

Stamped linens and fancy goods, such as Doylies. Dresser and Side Board Sets, Pillow Shams, Cushion Covers, Laundry bags, Pin Cushions. Handkerchiefs for Ladies', Gents and Children from 1 cent up to 75 cents.

Ladies' Dressing Sacques from 50c to $1.50.

Silk Waists from $2.25 to $6.50.

A look through our line will suggest many useful Presents and you'll spend your change profitably.

PARISIAN CLOAK AND NOVELTY CO.,

75 West Second Street.